# VERMONT UNCLAIMED PROPERTY REPORTING GUIDE

**WHY?** Statutory references for reporting unclaimed property in Vermont can be found in Title 27, Chapter 14.

**WHO?** Any person or entity in business could have unclaimed property: banks and financial institutions; all types of business associations; utilities; local governments and other legal entities or commercial entities. All business entities are responsible for filing reports on behalf of their branches and divisions.

**WHAT?** Unclaimed property can be any financial asset that appears to have been abandoned by the owner. For example:

- Uncashed dividend, payroll, and cashier's checks
- Stocks, bonds, mutual fund accounts
- Utility deposits and other refunds
- Bank accounts and safe deposit box contents
- Insurance proceeds
- Mineral interest & royalty payments
- Court deposits, trust funds, escrow accounts

**DUE DILIGENCE!** \$50.00 and over. The holder should make an effort to locate the missing owner before Annual Unclaimed Property Report is filed. The holder shall send a written notice to the owner advising the owner that the property is about to be turned over to the State Treasurer's Office. This is to be done 60-120 days prior to filing the report.

**WHEN?** All holder reports and payments must be postmarked no later than **May 1** of every year. The cut-off date for reviewing records is December 31.

**HOW?** Review your records every year, as of December 31, and determine if you have any property for which you have had no contact with the owner and their whereabouts are unknown. Vermont holders should report all unclaimed property that is owed to a resident or business with the last known address in Vermont. In addition, Vermont domiciled businesses should report items for unknown owners and for owners with unknown addresses.

# VERMONT ABANDONMENT PERIODS

1 year: Wages/Payroll related items

Properties reported by court or governmental entities;

Property Distributable in Dissolution;

2 years: Demutualization Proceeds

3 years: All other property types including Bank

Money Orders

5 years: Safe Deposit Box Contents;

7 years: Money Orders; 15 years: Traveler's Checks;

# **REPORTING METHODS:**

#### 10 Or More Accounts

Electronic NAUPA format filing is required on a formatted CD-R or standard high-density 3.5" diskette. "HRS" electronic reporting software is available at <a href="https://www.wagers.net">www.wagers.net</a> "UPExchange" — software-as-a-service is available at <a href="https://www.byetm.com/upexchange/">www.byetm.com/upexchange/</a> Hard copy of the report is also required.

# 10 or Fewer Accounts

May manually report using Schedule A & B forms.

# REPORTING REQUIREMENT

# Full Reporting

Amounts of \$25 or more, report must include information on each owner such as name, last-known address, social security number, the amount owed to the owner, the date of the last transactions on the account, etc.

# Aggregate Amounts

Amounts less than \$25 may be reported in aggregate (i.e., combined in one record, but summarized by property type). Must list number of accounts within the aggregate total on Report Cover Sheet. The Property Type Code on an aggregate record should always end in "99" (e.g., CK99).

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### NEGATIVE REPORTS

Negative reports are not required, however, we encourage annual filing, even if no property was deemed unclaimed.

# REPORTING SECURITIES

Securities must be registered in the name of: State of Vermont, Unclaimed Property Account, State

Treasurer's Office, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-6901. Dividends and securities can be reported on the same report but rules for reporting aggregate amounts would not apply in this case.

Stock certificates must be mailed with the report. Mutual funds and dividend reinvestment plans should also be transferred into the State Treasurer's Office and a confirmation sent with the report.

The aggregate amount does not apply when securities and dividends are reported together.

#### REPORT AND PAYMENT DELIVERY

Enclose electronic (NAUPA format) and hard copy of report with check made payable to the Vermont State Treasurer's Office – Unclaimed Property, for the amount shown on the report. ACH or ETF payments are also acceptable payment methods. Mail report to:

State Treasurer's Office Unclaimed Property Division 109 State Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Montpelier, VT 05609-6901

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Unclaimed Property Division of the State Treasurer's Office can be reached:

By phone: 802-828-2407

Toll-Free (VT only) (800)-642-3191;

By mail:

UPD, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-6901;

By email: <a href="mailto:UPCompliance@state.vt.us">UPCompliance@state.vt.us</a>; Website: <a href="mailto:www.vermonttreasurer.gov">www.vermonttreasurer.gov</a>

#### NAUPA PROPERTY TYPE CODES

# ACCOUNT BALANCES DUE

AC01 (3) Checking Accounts

AC02 (3) Savings Accounts

AC03 (3) Matured Certificates of Deposit or Savings Certificates

AC04 (3) Christmas Club Accounts

AC05 (3) Money on Deposit to Secure Funds

AC06 (3) Security Deposits

AC07 (3) Unidentified Deposits

AC08 (3) Suspense Accounts

AC09 (3) IRA & 401 Accounts

AC99 (3) Aggregate Account Balances Due

#### UNCASHED CHECKS

CK01 (3) Cashier's Checks

CK02 (3) Certified Checks

# NAUPA PROPERTY TYPE CODES

#### **UNCASHED CHECKS - Cont.**

CK03 (3) Registered Checks

CK04 (3) Treasurer's Check

CK05 (3) Drafts

CK06 (3) Warrants

CK07 (7) Money Orders

CK08 (15) Traveler's Check

CK09 (3) Foreign Exchange Checks

CK 10 (3) Expense Checks

CK11 (3) Pension Checks

CK12 (3) Credit Checks or Memos

CK13 (3) Vendor Checks

CK14 (3) Any Checks Written Off to Income/Surplus

CK15 (3) Outstanding Official Checks or Exchange Items

CK16 (3) CD Interest Checks

CK17 (3) Bank Money Orders

CK99 (3) Aggregate Uncashed Checks

#### COURT DEPOSITS

CT01 (1) Escrow Funds

CT02 (1) Condemnation Awards

CT03 (1) Missing Heirs' Funds

CT04 (1) Suspense Accounts

CT05 (1) Bail or Deposits Made With a Court or Public Authority

CT99 (1) Aggregate Court Deposits

#### INSURANCE

IN01 (3) Individual Policy Benefits or Claim Payments

IN02 (3) Group Policy Benefits or Claim Payments

IN03 (3) Death Benefits Due Beneficiaries

IN04 (3) Proceeds from Matured

Policies/Endowments/Annuities/Limited Age \*

IN05 (3) Premium Refunds on Individual Policies

IN06 (3) Unidentified Remittances

IN07 (3) Other Amounts Due Under Policy Terms

IN08 (3) Agent Credit Balances

# IN10 (2) Demutualization Funds

IN99 (3) Aggregate Insurance Property

#### MINERAL PROCEEDS

MI01 (3) Net Revenue Interests

MI02 (3) Royalties

MI03 (3) Overriding Royalties

MI04 (3) Production Payments

MI05 (3) Working Interests

MI06 (3) Bonuses

MI07 (3) Delay Rentals

MI08 (3) Shut-in Royalties

MI09 (3) Minimum Royalties

#### MISCELLANEOUS INTANGIBLE PROPERTY

# MS01 (1) Wages, Payroll, Salary, Commissions

MS02 (3) Commissions-Under Contract

MS03 (3) Worker's Compensation Benefits

MS04 (3) Payment for Goods and Services

MS05 (3) Customer Overpayments

MS06 (3) Unidentified Remittances

MS07 (3) Unrefunded Overcharge

MS08 (3) Accounts Payable

\*Person Outlives Policy Term

#### NAUPA PROPERTY TYPE CODES

#### MISCELLANEOUS INTANGIBLE PROPERTY - Cont.

MS09 (3) Credit Balances/Accounts Receivable

MS10 (3) Discounts Due

MS11 (3) Refunds Due

MS12 (3) Unredeemed Gift Certificates (Prior to 7/1/2006)

MS13 (3) Unclaimed Loan Collateral - Paid in Full's Charged Off

MS14 (3) Sums Payable Under Pension/Profit Sharing Plans

#### MS15 (1) Property Distributable as Result of Dissolution

MS16 (3) Miscellaneous Outstanding Checks

MS17 (3) Miscellaneous Intangible Personal Property

MS18 (3) Suspense Liabilities

MS99 (3) Aggregate Miscellaneous Property

#### SECURITIES

SC01 (3) Dividends

SC02 (3) Interest Payable on Registered Bonds

SC04 (3) Equity Payments

SC03 (3) Principle Bond Payments

SC05 (3) Profits

SC06 (3) Funds Pd Towards Purchase Shares/Interest in Financial

SC07 (3) Bearer Bond Interest And Matured Principal

SC08 (3) Shares Of Stock (Returned By Post Office)

SC09 (3) Cash For Fractional Shares

SC10 (3) Unexchanged Stock of Successor Corporation

SC11 (3) Any Other Certificates Of Ownership

SC12 (3) Underlying Shares/Outstanding Certificates Of Owners

SC13 (3) Liquidated/Redemption Unsurrendered Stocks/Bonds

SC14 (3) Debentures

SC15 (3) U.S. Government Securities

SC16 (3) Mutual Funds

SC17 (3) Warrants

SC18 (3) Matured Principal on Registered Bonds

SC19 (3) Dividend Reinvestment Plans

SC20 (3) Credit Balances – Security Notes

SC21 (3) Cash in Lieu of Stock

SC22 (3) Stock Split

SC50 (3) Bonds

SC99 (3) Aggregate Securities - Related Cash

#### TANGIBLE PROPERTY

SD01 (5) Safe Deposit Box Contents

SD02 (5) Other Safekeeping Items

SD03 (3) Other Tangible Property

#### TRUST, INVESTMENTS, & ESCROW ACCOUNTS

TR01 (3) Paying Agent Accounts

TR02 (3) Undelivered Dividends or Uncashed Dividends

TR03 (3) Funds Held in a Fiduciary Capacity

TR04 (3) Escrow Accounts

TR05 (3) Trust Vouchers

TR99 (3) Aggregate Trust Property

#### UTILITIES

UT01 (3) Utility Deposits

UT02 (3) Membership Fees

UT03 (3) Rebates

UT04 (3) Capital Credit Distributions

UT99 (3) Aggregate Utility Property

SEE HOLDER REPORTING MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL LIST OF CODES

# STATE OF VERMONT State Treasurer's Office

# **Unclaimed Property QUICK REPORTING GUIDE** 2010-2011



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